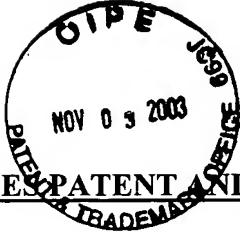


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It has been brought to the attention of Applicant's Representatives that small entity status is no longer appropriate in the above-identified application, and in accordance with the duty set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(g)(2), the entitlement to small entity status is withdrawn.

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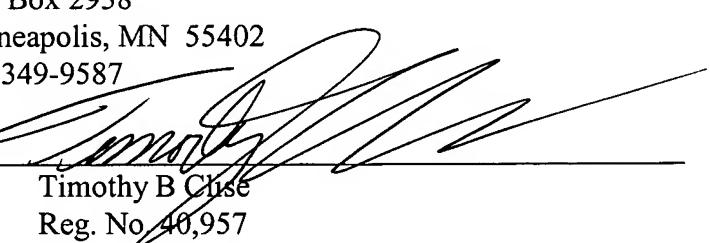
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